

#JOM! GO: 5 hottest, underrated destinations in Malaysia

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PLANNING a unique getaway away from the usual tourist hotspots?

From idyllic islands to a stunning rainforest paradise, Malaysia has such unique destinations that will definitely wow us.

Here's the top five most underrated destinations in Malaysia revealed by Airbnb that are worth checking out for your next vacation.



TIMBA TIMBA ISLAND, SABAH

Located off the south-eastern coast of Sabah, Semporna is home to a myriad of beautiful islands including Timba-Timba Island.

It is a hidden gem teeming with colourful marine life including blue ribbon eels, barracudas and snappers.

Its rich vibrant marine biodiversity makes it the perfect getaway for divers and ocean lovers.



KUDAT, SABAH

Also known as the Tip of the Borneo, Kudat is a quiet beachside town in Sabah with pristine beaches and clear blue waters.

Visiting the northmost point of Kudat makes for a truly novel experience as you get to stand at the very edge of Borneo and enjoy panoramic views of the South China Sea and Sulu Sea.

You can also witness the enthralling Blue Tears phenomenon, a natural phenomenon that has swathes of seashores turned luminous from bioluminescent plankton in the water.



SARIKEI, SARAWAK

Situated along Malaysia's longest river, Sungai Rajang, Sarikei offers a rich and unique cultural tradition that will definitely enthral curious travellers.

Visit Rumah Nyuka Longhouse, as well as the Central Market where you can taste plenty of Sarikei's unique dishes and delicacies.

Famed for its pineapple plantations, Sarikei hosts an annual Pineapple Festival from November to December featuring fun-filled activities dedicated to the thorny tangy fruit, including pineapple tasting and cooking competitions.



SUNGAI LEMBING, PAHANG

Hikers willing to make the trek through the forest in Sungai Lembing, an old tin-mining town, will be rewarded by a gorgeous sight at the end - the stunning Rainbow Waterfall.

Bask in the early morning sunrise to this spectacular view, while taking a quick swim in cool waters if you wish.

The town itself also offers its own attractions, including a tour of the Sungai Lembing mines which is one of the deepest mines in the world, as well as hanging bridges and a museum detailing the town's history.



BELUM RAINFOREST, PERAK

Believed to be over 130 million years old, Belum Rainforest is one of the world's oldest rainforests and home to some of the country's most endangered species including the Malaysian Tiger, Asiatic Elephant and Malayan Tapir.

Take an adrenaline-filled leap and zipline across Temenggor Lake or spend the night living amidst the natural beauty of this forest reserve.

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